24 November 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT   : Reactivation of the CIA Reinvestigation
                   Polygraph Program

1. This memorandum is for <u>information</u> only.

2. The CIA Reinvestigation Polygraph Program was
inaugurated in 1957 and it developed into a significant
Polygraph Program until 1966 when it was suspended. The
suspension came about as other more critical demands were
being made on CIA polygraph resources which resulted in
manpower being dedicated to support Southeast Asia oper-
ations.

3. Conditions have stabilized and it is now possible
to resume the Reinvestigation Polygraph Program on an
Agency-wide basis. The intent of this Program is to focus
on repolygraphing two categories of personnel: 1) all
CIA employees currently undergoing background investigation
updating, and 2) all CIA employees returning PCS from
denied areas or communist controlled countries. Polygraph
coverage in each category is the same, emphasizing issues
of direct counterintelligence interest, i.e., the questions
will deal exclusively with disclosure to foreign government
or intelligence representatives; provocations or recruit-
ment; and the unauthorized revelation of classified infor-
mation.

4. To insure that this Program is administered in a
fair and equitable manner, grade or position will have no
bearing on any aspect of the Program. All CIA personnel
returning PCS from denied areas and all CIA personnel being
routinely reinvestigated pursuant to HR ▓▓▓▓ (regulation
dealing with Reinvestigations) will be scheduled for a   STATINTL
reinvestigation polygraph examination.

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5.   Apropos to your approval on 12 March 1975 for reactivating the polygraph portion of the Reinvestigation Program the Office of Security has resumed the Program for its personnel and approximately 200 staff employees have been successfully and favorably repolygraphed. This has proven to be a sound and beneficial security program and I have asked the Office of Security to reinitiate the Repolygraph Program on an Agency-wide basis in the immediate future.

/S/
John F. Blake
Deputy Director
for
Administration

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